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Legion And W.A. Entertain Friends

A large crowd of invited guests attended the night of entertainment put on by the boys and girls of the Gleichen Legion at Meadowbrook Hall last Wednesday evening. They came from Rockyford, Stratmore, Standard, Brooks, Brooks Arrowwood and Queenston.

An interesting and hilarious program was run off and judging by the amount of laughter everyone must have had a great time.

At approximately midnight before the final event was given, Supper was then served in the basement after which dancing took place.

The following is a list of the events that were on the program:

Addison—western solo.
Piano solo—Art Hamilton.
Violin solo—Rouie Rounie.
Cornet solo—Dicky Valdez.
Mortimer—Ladies.
Solo—Mr. Campbell.
Solo—W. Lasher.
Flappers—The Gay Ninties.
Arrowwood ladies.
Solo—G. Strom.
The Tramp.
The Wedding—Auxiliary Ladies.
Singing and Treat.
The Barber—Mrs. Fontain and Mrs. Campbell.
A Legion Meeting—Ladies.
The Honeymooers.
Heslop—shoeograph.
The Tramp.
The Sleeping Beauty—W.L. Morrison.
An Auxiliary Meeting—Ladies.

Canada's Defence Programme

Canada's three-year five billion dollar defense program is moving ahead at a scheduled and expected to reach its goal by June, 1954.

This program was launched by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton in 1951 when the outbreak of the Korean war made it clear that Canada must participate in a threat to the liberty and security of the free countries of the world.

The program was drawn up in cooperation with the Canadian government and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It represents what Canada undertook to do as a member of a great team of nations to put itself in a position to fight and to help others fight for freedom.

Nearly half of the three years allotted to the program gone the country has the largest peacetime military establishment in its history and many fully equipped Canadian fighting men are on duty at the frontiers of freedom in Europe and the Far East.

In these first two years, Canada has spent on equipment and construction alone more than the Canadian National Railways—the world's largest railway system for similar items since incorporation in 1923. This shows the size of the job that has to be done, and done with a minimum of loss and no scandal.

Enrolment in the three armed forces has increased 120 percent, leaping from 47,000 in 1950 to 104,000 in 1953. More than 23,000 Canadians have seen fighting service in Korea and another 15,000 from the Canadian forces are on duty at the frontiers of freedom in Europe and the Far East.

By mid-1954, Canada will have produced or purchased some 2,000 aircraft for the R.C.A.F. and for the air forces of its allies. Another 1,000 planes will be added in the third year, making a total of 3,000 aircraft.

Indications are that the program, originally planned to cost five billion dollars, will run to about \$6 billion and that the Canadian contribution to the allied forces created under the plan will cost the nation at least \$900,000,000 a year (compared to this year's defense budget of about \$2 billions).

What are the chances of a leveling off in these expenditures?

Here's what Mr. Claxton told the Commons on this point.

"Our hope," he said, "is that it may be possible to moderate what we are doing. But to change it fundamentally would be to invite a declaration of weakness. The fact is that the Russians have shown a change of attitude and something which has contributed to that change has been the attitude shown in Korea and the building up of our strength in Europe and at home. That has

been our objective, and the fact that we have had three years without a major war has indicated that the policy has been right."

Like other western allies, Canada

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will have to extend the three-year defense program into the next year, due to the end of 1954, the project having reached its initial goal of protecting the nation with the basic ingredients: a sound administrative core; longer wartime forces; greater control over men and supplies in UN and NATO forces and stockpiles of supplies.

The government hopes that by the end of its current program, defense expenditures will level off at somewhat less than the present rate. Equipment outlays will be stretched out to keep factories geared to defense production and much of the major construction work will have been completed.

HERE AND THERE

Rev. A. Oursouff, noted lecturer and author in exile from his native Russia for some years now, will speak at Forest Hill Auditorium, New York, with lectures on "Russia Under Communism" in K. of C. Hall at Cluny on Sunday, April 28th, at 8 p.m. This is an opportunity to hear a good lecture. Everybody welcome.

Jack Lester, the town engineer, is sporting a new truck these days. The old truck the town had really refused to go on the road because the steering arm broke, no matter what was at the wheel. It was a nice airy truck and attracted much attention as it glided down the road with Jack at the helm. But it was old and had gone for many years. Lester had a good idea. A new truck was a necessity and the taxpayers realized that coupled up the necessary dough for a new one. The truck is painted in a beautiful shade of dark green, and the side doors in nice big letters are the words "Town of Gleichen".

Julius Little has returned home improved in health after spending several weeks in the Bassano hospital. A bank manager, he deserved popular as a reconteur, considers the following as a legend in his personal life.

"Two lunatics were airing their grievances in the asylum grounds. Said one—"It's an outrage. I've been here 10 years, and I'm as sane as anybody."

"I know it," chimed the other, "and I have been here for twelve years. Let's go and tell the governor."

"Wait a minute," said the first, "I'm going to test you first." He was going to bring his hands behind his back, he said. "What have I got in my hand?"

"A truncheon," promptly answered the second.

"You cheat," was the heated retort.

"You saw me pick it up!"

The Ottawa Letter

No one knows when the next election will be held. The Prime Minister mentioned that a few months would elapse before the event. No one knows just how many months that is. Coronation time, holiday time, however, suggests that the election would be really and chosen for voting.

There has been much discussion in recent sessions on price-fixing agreements among competing firms. Last week convictions were obtained against running oil companies, on selling, fueling, and a list of rubber materials. Fines up to \$10,000 were paid. Dealers in film, paper, matches and bakers supplies have also been indicted.

Great concern from the federal treasury is a long, difficult process. When an expenditure is proposed, the minister or department must first investigate and recommend it. Then the most difficult step is to get the minister to appear before the House board consisting of the Finance Minister who must raise the money or taxation, and a group of the cabinet. Nothing can be spent till the Auditor General gives his "OK". In other words, every dollar must be voted.

Mr. Howe has been in charge of the spending in recent years, of the sum of 48% billion dollars and no one has proven waste or inefficiency or even suggested that any senior officer has profited by a single dollar.

F. W. GERSHAW.

George Souter and Leo Woods went to Brooks last weekend to visit some friends.

Nelson Schnelle is at present in the Belcher hospital receiving medical treatment.

Leisure Menard woke up Monday morning to find his car missing. In other words his car has been stolen.

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Last week R. K. Hunter had a permanent mixing gang put in a cement floor in the basement of Central Motors. This place will be used for storage of garage equipment.

Long term planning is the essence of good farm management. When farm prices fall farmers quit producing by people whose high early wages and low prices of life with farm incomes. Lay-out, cutting annual wages.

Wm. Turnbull one of the engineers in the irrigation canal south of the river and a resident of Gleichen

was taken to Belcher hospital. He has since been taken to Edmonton where he will likely undergo an operation on his spine. He was serving in the R.C.A.F. during the last war and had his back broken while in the service. This is causing him considerable pain now.

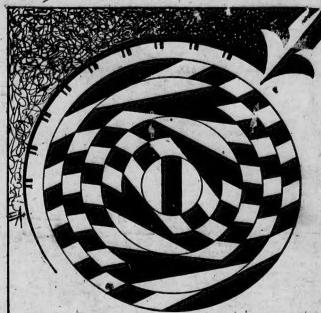
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The first showing of the Calgary Power Limited color film, "Power for Progress" was made in the projection room of the legal building in Edmonton. Provincial and provincial government officials attending

the showing saw a 23 minute film covering the development and utilization of power in Alberta. The application of electricity to the rural areas of Alberta and the unique nature of "Power for Progress" which contains much interesting footage to agricultural and industrial development in the province, will be available later for showing at service club and public meetings.



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Report Gives Wind Erosion As Major Agricultural Problem

REGINA—Of 50 land use surveys taken in Saskatchewan since 1948, 35 of the municipalities involved reported wind erosion as a major agricultural problem. In some eastern central municipalities, 10 per cent of the land has wind erosion problems, and in the southwest this increased to 31 per cent.

The Director of the provincial agriculture department's plant industry branch, R. E. McKenzie, said yesterday that while drifts have been reported almost every year in some areas of Saskatchewan, he urged farmers to contact their field extension agents such a survey to control wind erosion.

Mr. McKenzie stated that with extended acreage and an apparent reversion to large open fields of summerfallow, one dry, windy year could result in the erosion of thousands of acres.

Each of the various methods of control, Dr. McKenzie said, has a definite and distinct value in the over-all program. These methods include ploughing fallows with trash covers, strip cropping, contour strip farming, cultivating to produce a cloddy soil condition, ploughing or harrowing in more serious cases, and perhaps, if regeneration is severe, drifting. The planting of field shelterbelts is a long-term method control which normally shows good results within five years.

Advocated as the best practice is the use of ploughing strips with trash covers. After continuing eight inches of fallow, the stubble is worked so that it is anchored in the top two or three inches of soil. Under certain circumstances the stubble should be turned off, but left to protect the soil.

If the stubble is burned and soil drifting continues, further subsoiling is necessary. Light soil cultivation is useful if drifting is serious. Land where drifting is very prevalent should be cultivated subsoil only.

On bare land, the number of cultivations needed for weed control will pulverize the soil and cause drifting. The stubble left and worked into the soil can safely be cultivated more often.

On fields which follow only those operations needed for weed control should be carried out. Duck-foot, or blade cultivation causes minimal soil pulverization and leaves the trash on the surface. Such implements can be operated at up to five miles an hour, and the results of treatments at more than two or three miles an hour results in much greater pulverization of the drifts. It is also advisable not to work the land too late in the fall. Weeds appearing after the last cultivation will be frozen before reaching maturity

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Your Own Private Hothouse



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1. The dimensions are 4' x 6' with a height of 4' on the ends from the bottom to the ridge.
2. The floor may be installed at the desired height so that the operator need not bend over to do his work.
3. The plants are started in flats or flower pots rather than the method used in the usual hot frame.
4. The heat source here is supplied by four infrared lamps installed along the bottom of the ridge and may be varied according to the heat required.
5. The plants are always hung and each is hinged to the ridge. The entire structure can be dismantled easily and stored when not in use.

CANADA "MODEL FOR THE WORLD"

TORONTO—Eugene R. Black, president of the 54-member International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, said today that Canada has developed their country provides a model which the rest of the world might observe to its own benefit.

GOVERNMENT BUSIES
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.—The Saskatchewan Transportation Corporation, a Crown corporation established in 1946, now owns 65 buses operating on 36 routes, with a total mileage of 4,376.

Proper strip farming with trash covers and any method of soil conservation, has been proved in actual practice under very severe conditions. From the 1946 to 1947 crop year, the average yield of 1938, little more than one section drilled on the nine-section farm of Mr. and Mrs. Northworth of Estevan, Alberta, A 90-ton load hauled to the north and two sections to the south completely blew out, the drifts from the north causing the loss on the Noble farm.

Mr. McKenzie pointed out that this example shows drilling with trash covers is the best way to control soil erosion. "It is the best combination of control measures to use under existing conditions," a paragraph in his report added. Other information may be obtained from Experimental Stations and the Plant Industry Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina.

NUMBER OF PHONES DOUBLE IN MANITOBA IN SEVEN YEARS

WINNIPEG—Provincial Treasurer Turner estimated that by the end of the year there will be 275,000 telephones in use in Manitoba, almost double the 1948 total.

Exchange service has been modernized and the number of telephone lines has been converted to the dial type. It was estimated 415,000,000 telephone calls were made last year.

FIGURE IT OUT YOURSELF
DETROIT.—A hundred-year-old Bostonian puzzle is this brain-teaser published by the Traveler. Arrange the digits and the letters in each box so that the sum of the sum 100 in a single addition. The answer? Well, look in the 1938 file of the Traveler, if you must, but it's really very simple.

You Know That...

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